



THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FANNIN §

October 12, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the City Council of the City of Leonard, Fannin County, Texas held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on October 12, 2021, a Regular Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Mayor Michael Pye, Mayor Pro Tem Noel Nixon, Council members Garry Doyle, Billy Wayne Martin, Debra Wilcox, and Al Stephens.

Staff present: Melissa Verde, Kim Davis, Public Works Director Woody Patrick, Police Chief Brian Meserole

Guests Present: Teresa Nixon, Betsy Blevins, Margy Hall, Donna Martin, Gaye Doyle, Doug & Debbie Morfeld, Chamal Kahanawita, Dawn Chokov, Karen Murphy, Sheryl Stanley, Carol Dutilly, Mandrake Greene

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION

1. Invocation, Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags, Call to Order, Proof of posting of Notice of Meeting, Verification of Quorum
Mayor Pye called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. Executive Session – under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 Personnel matters, deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
i. City Administrator Interviews

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to go to executive session. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried at 6:33 P.M.

3. Reconvene into open session.
Open session reconvened at 7:36 P.M.

4. Discussion and possible action on matters discussed in executive session:

i. City Administrator Interviews

No action.

5. Consent Items:

This section shall provide for items that require action by the Council, but where little or no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmation majority vote, items under this section are approved without further discussion or action.

Reports from Department Heads

September 14, 2021, Minutes

September 29, 2021, Minutes

September 30, 2021, Minutes

Councilmember Wilcox motioned for Reports from Department Heads to be moved from consent for discussion. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

Councilmember Martin motioned to approve the September 14, 29, and 30, 2021 Minutes. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

6. Presentation from Planning & Zoning Commission regarding a Specific Use Permit for Property ID: 122436, Legal Description: Rockwell Addition 2, Block 6, Lot 2; Replat of Lots 1-7 & Part of Hunt St, commonly known as 101 N US HWY 69 currently zoned as C-2 which designates used auto sales may be approved as Specific Use Permit

- i. Property Owner Comments
- ii. P&Z Report
- iii. Resident Comments for/against
- iv. Council discussion and possible action approving or denying Specific Use permit.

Councilmember Stephens motioned to approve the Specific Use Permit of used auto sales with the modification that a maximum of six cars can be exposed outside for used auto sales. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – 4 in favor and 1 opposed. Motion carried.

7. Citizens Comments:

Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. Council is not required to comment or deliberate regarding such statements or comments during this period. Sec. 551.007 of Open Meeting Act 2020.

Dawn Chokov spoke about recycling.

8. Presentation from Kayla Ross or Sheryl Stanley on: proposed closure of Collin & Main Street on October 23rd, 2021 from 9-2 for the Event Leonard Fall on the Square.

Councilmember Doyle motioned to approve the closure of Collin and Main Street on October 23, 2021, for Leonard Fall on the Square. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action on: Authorize Melissa Verde as primary user on city accounts and Kim Davis as secondary user.

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to approve Melissa Verde as primary user on city accounts and Kim Davis as secondary user. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action on: Approve Melissa Verde to seek Texas Division of Emergency Management Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant.

Councilmember Martin motioned to approve Melissa Verde to seek Texas Division of Emergency Management Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant. Second by Councilmember Stephens. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

11. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 09142021-A Security Benefit

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to table Resolution 09142021-A Security Benefit until further information. Second by Councilmember Stephens. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action on: Justice of the Peace – Precinct 2 office.

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to table Justice of the Peace – Precinct 2 office until more estimates are received from local businesses. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

13. Discussion and possible action on: Timekeeping system for city employees.

Councilmember Stephens motioned to table and let next City Administrator select. Second by Councilmember Martin. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

14. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 10122021-1 City of Leonard COVID-19 Protocol.

Councilmember Wilcox motioned to approve Resolution 10122021-1 City of Leonard COVID-19 Protocol. Second by Councilmember Stephens. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

15. Discussion and possible action on: Pay employees COVID sick time from CARES fund.

Councilmember Stephens motioned to approve paying employees COVID sick time from CARES fund. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

16. Discussion and possible action on: City Wide Fall Clean Up.

Councilmember Wilcox motioned that the City Wide Fall Clean Up is scheduled for November 5th and 6th. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

17. Discussion and possible action on: Appoint Utility/Development Committee

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned to table Appoint Utility/Development Committee until the November regular meeting. Second by Councilmember Wilcox. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

18. Discussion and possible action on: Resolution 10122021-2 Nominations to serve on the Fannin Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon motioned on Resolution 10122021-2 to nominate Karen Murphy and James Watson to serve on the Fannin Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. Second by Councilmember Doyle. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

19. Discussion and possible action on: Submitting an Emergency Preparedness Plan to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Councilmember Martin motioned to submit an Emergency Preparedness Plan to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried.

20. Announcements

Mayor Pro Tem Nixon wished his daughter-in-law, Taylor Nixon, happy birthday. Mayor Pye wished his daughter, Keilee, happy birthday.

21. Adjournment

Councilmember Martin motioned to adjourn. Second by Mayor Pro Tem Nixon. Mayor Pye called for a vote – all were in favor and the motion carried at 7:49 P.M.

THE CITY OF LEONARD, TEXAS



Michael Pye, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kim Davis, City Clerk